

## Career/College Prep Online Resources List



### **WISCareers (Wisconsin Careers) <http://wiscareers.wisc.edu>**

This site has many features to help you plan for your future, including:

- Career Interest Inventories, career searches and career information
- College searches and job seeking resources

The *initial* login registration code for WISCareers is: **esd-c381**

If you've logged in once before and forgot your username or password – check with Mrs. Haugle.

### **Know How 2 Go <http://www.knowhow2gowisconsin.org/>**

This site has information for each grade in high school. It also has **FREE ACT and SAT prep courses**.

### **O\*NET <http://online.onetcenter.org>**

This site was developed from the U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Outlook Handbook. It is a very reputable and reliable source of information to research:

- Career trends and outlooks; career descriptions and related careers
- Training required and salary ranges of careers

### **UW HELP <http://uwhelp.wisconsin.edu>**

This site is a one-stop shop for information on the institutions in the University of Wisconsin System including 13 universities, 13 freshman-sophomore Colleges and UW-Extension (all public universities/colleges in Wisconsin).

### **Wisconsin's Private Colleges <http://www.waicu.org>**

This site is similar to UW HELP, only it covers WI Private 4 year Colleges.

### **Wisconsin Technical Colleges <http://www.witechcolleges.org>**

This site is similar to UW HELP, only it covers WI public Technical Colleges.

### **Minnesota Office of Higher Education <http://www.ohe.state.mn.us>**

Click on "Institutional Data" to get a link to Minnesota's postsecondary institutions.

### **U.S. Military Service <http://www.military.com> or <http://www.careersinthemilitary.com>**

Provides information and links for all military branches and careers.

### **National College Search <http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator>**

You can find 4 or 2 year colleges in any state through this easy search method.

### **College Board <http://www.collegeboard.com>**

This site offers resources for both students and parents, particularly for college preparation, including:

- SAT, PSAT, AP and CLEP exam information and preparation
- Planning and searching for colleges and advice on applying to colleges
- Financial aid and scholarship information

### **ACT <http://www.act.org>**

This is the official site for the ACT assessment – the most commonly used assessment for college admissions in the Midwest. This site not only offers detailed information on the exam, but it includes career preparation and financial aid information as well.

**If you would like assistance using any of these sites, please see Mrs. Haugle.**

## Website Resources for Financial Aid and Scholarships

EdVest (Wisconsin's Official 529 College Savings Plan):

<http://www.wellsfargoadvantagefunds.com/wfweb/wf/ev/index.jsp>

Planning for College: [www.students.gov](http://www.students.gov)

Saving for College: [www.savingforcollege.com](http://www.savingforcollege.com) or [www.kiplinger.com/money/college](http://www.kiplinger.com/money/college)

Financial Aid Estimator: [www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov) or [www.getreadyforcollege.org](http://www.getreadyforcollege.org)

Links and references to financial aid information: [www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org)

Student Aid on the Web: [www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov)

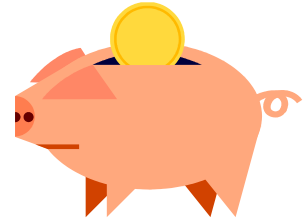
Tips on Completing the FAFSA: [www.studentaid.ed.gov/complefafsa](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov/complefafsa)

Get a Pin before completing the FAFSA: [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov)

Fill out the FAFSA: [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

Department of Education: [www.ed.gov](http://www.ed.gov)

Project Scholarship Scam: [www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams](http://www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams)



*Scholarship Searches:*

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[www.collegenet.com/mach25](http://www.collegenet.com/mach25)

[www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com)

[www.scholarshipexperts.com](http://www.scholarshipexperts.com)

[www.mapping-your-future.org](http://www.mapping-your-future.org)

[www.srnexpress.com](http://www.srnexpress.com)

[www.getreadyforcollege.org](http://www.getreadyforcollege.org)

[www.tcfexpress.com](http://www.tcfexpress.com)

[www.militaryscholar.org](http://www.militaryscholar.org) (scholarships for military children)

[www.unionscholarships.com](http://www.unionscholarships.com) (union-sponsored scholarships & aid)

[www.uncf.org/scholarship](http://www.uncf.org/scholarship) (minority-related scholarships & grants)

[www.scholarshipsforhispanics.org](http://www.scholarshipsforhispanics.org) & [www.latinocollegedollars.org](http://www.latinocollegedollars.org)

**Don't forget to check with the school you plan to attend, your bank, employer, and organizations you belong to for other scholarship opportunities.**

### Avoid Diploma Mills

Diploma mills, or degree mills, are fraudulent "colleges" that offer potential students degrees requiring little or no serious work. These "colleges" are not legitimate or accredited. Learn more:

Check for Accreditation [www.ope.ed.gov/accreditation/Search.asp](http://www.ope.ed.gov/accreditation/Search.asp)

Council for Higher Education Accreditation [www.chea.org/degreemills/default.htm](http://www.chea.org/degreemills/default.htm)

List of Known Degree/Diploma Mills [www.michigan.gov/documents/Non-accreditedSchools\\_78080\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/Non-accreditedSchools_78080_7.pdf)